AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1868 OFFERED BY MRS. BIGGERT OF ILLINOIS

Page 11, line 22, after "education" insert "or other organizations, such as national laboratories and nonprofit research institutes,".

Page 23, line 1, after "education" insert "or other organization, such as a national laboratory or nonprofit research institute,".

Page 23, line 10, after "organizations" insert ", such as national laboratories and nonprofit research institutes,".

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1868 OFFERED BY MR. GINGREY OF GEORGIA

At the end of the bill, insert the following new section:

1	SEC.	309.	PROCUREMENT	\mathbf{OF}	TEMPORARY	AND	INTERMIT-
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- 2 TENT SERVICES.
- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the National In-
- 4 stitute of Standards and Technology may procure the tem-
- 5 porary or intermittent services of experts or consultants
- 6 (or organizations thereof) in accordance with section
- 7 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code to assist on urgent
- 8 or short-term research projects.
- 9 (b) Extent of Authority.—A procurement under
- 10 this section may not exceed 1 year in duration, and the
- 11 Director shall procure no more than 200 experts and con-
- 12 sultants per year.
- 13 (c) Sunset.—This section shall cease to be effective
- 14 after September 30, 2010.
- 15 (d) Report to Congress.—Not later than 2 years
- 16 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
- 17 General shall report to the Committee on Science and
- 18 Technology of the House of Representatives and the Com-
- 19 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the

- 1 Senate on whether additional safeguards would be needed
- 2 with respect to the use of authorities granted under this
- 3 section if such authorities were to be made permanent.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1868 OFFERED BY MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS

At the end of the bill, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 309. MALCOLM BALDRIGE AWARDS.

- 2 Section 17(c)(3) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology
- 3 Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3711a(c)(3)) is amend-
- 4 ed to read as follows:
- 5 "(3) In any year, not more than 18 awards may be
- 6 made under this section to recipients who have not pre-
- 7 viously received an award under this section, and no award
- 8 shall be made within any category described in paragraph
- 9 (1) if there are no qualifying enterprises in that cat-
- 10 egory.".